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- 11. (SBU) At the conclusion of the Government of Kenya's April 9 AGOA Forum preparatory committee meeting, Economic Counselor reiterated to Ministry of Trade Chief Economist and committee co-chair Richard Sindiga that the United States does not want Guinea and Madagascar invited to the August 4-6, 2009, AGOA Forum in Nairobi.
- 12. (SBU) Sindiga responded that Kenya has no intention of inviting Guinea and Madagascar to the AGOA Forum. Sindiga stressed that Kenya's decision is in keeping with the African Union's suspension of Guinea's and Madagascar's memberships. Kenya, he said, would closely align its views pertaining to matters involving both countries with the AU's.

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